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Source stated in 1948 that MIRCEA ELIAD acts as paymaster for Nicolae MALAXA in the distribution of funds or scholarships to 'meritorious Rumanian students' in Paris. According to source, nearly all of these so-called students are former Iron Guardists, and ELIAD, himself, is a former Iron Guard officer and editor of 'Porunca Vremei,' the official organ of the Iron Guard.

In an article, which appeared in the 'Curierul Roman', a periodical published in France, General RADESCU is quoted as having promised Mircea ELIAD that he would "arrange for several scholarships to be given to meritorious Rumanian students in France." It is further reported that upon the General's return to France, from New York, he informed ELIAD, that scholarships of 6,000 francs per month each had been granted for twenty students, to be recommended by the 'Association of Rumanian Students in France,' headed by Sorin Sonea.

MALAXA denied knowing ELIAD and disclaimed any connection with the scholarship mentioned. He did add, however, that it was entirely possible that RADESCU established these scholarships with money which he, MALAXA, had given him. However, he added, he never questions RADESCU about what he does with the money he gives him.

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